

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Original) A water-soluble beverage powder comprising
 - a) a coffee component
 - b) alcohol-containing granules, wherein the alcohol-containing granules have an alcohol-content of 5 to 40% by weight.
 - c) a creamer, and
 - d) a sweetening agent.
2. (Currently Amended) A water soluble beverage powder according to claim 1 wherein the ~~coffee component~~ powder is instant coffee and/or coffee substitute.
3. (Currently Amended) A water soluble beverage powder according to claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~ wherein the amount of alcohol in the water soluble beverage powder is in the range of from 5-10% by weight.
4. (Currently Amended) A water soluble beverage powder according to ~~claim 1 any of the claims 1 to 3~~ wherein the creamer comprises glucose syrup and vegetable fat.
5. (Currently Amended) A water soluble beverage powder according to ~~claim 1 any of the claims 1 to 4~~ wherein the sweetening agent is sugar and/or glucose
6. (Currently Amended) Food product containing sugar, glucose, glucose syrup, alcohol, instant coffee, coffee substitute, vegetable fat, milk protein, stabilizer and emulsifier and flavors, characterized in that it contains from 34 to 38 wt.% sugar, from 23 to 26 wt.% glucose, from 13 to 16 wt.%, glucose syrup, from 6 to 7 wt.% alcohol, from 2 to 4 wt% instant coffee, from 4 to 6 wt.% coffee substitute, from 6 to 8 wt.% vegetable fat, from 0.5 to 1 wt.% milk protein, from 0.4 to 0.5 wt.% ~~E-340 (ii)~~ stabilizer, from 0.5 to 1 wt.% ~~E-471~~ emulsifier and from 0.1 to 0.3 wt.% flavor and color agents.
7. (Currently Amended) Food product containing sugar, glucose, glucose syrup, alcohol, instant coffee, coffee substitute, vegetable fat, milk protein, stabilizer and emulsifier and

flavors, characterized in that it contains from 32 to 38 wt.% sugar, from 23 to 26 wt.% glucose, from 13 to 16 wt.%, glucose syrup, from 6 to 9 wt.% alcohol, from 4 to 10 wt.% instant coffee, from 1 to 5 wt.% coffee substitute, from 6 to 9 wt. % vegetable fat, from 0.5 to 1 wt.% milk protein, from 0.4 to 0.5 wt.% E-340 (ii) stabiliser, from 0.5 to 1 wt. % E-471 emulsifier and from 0.1 to 0.3 wt.% flavor and color agents.

8. (Currently Amended) A process for the preparation of (i) a water soluble beverage powder according to any of claims 1-5 or (ii) a food product according to claim 6 any of claims 6-7 comprising the step of mixing

a) a coffee component,

b) alcohol-containing granules, wherein the alcohol-containing granules have an alcohol-content of 5 to 40% by weight.

c) a creamer,

d) a sweetening agent.

9. (Currently Amended) Ready-to-drink coffee flavored beverage which ~~can be obtained is made~~ by dissolving in water the (i) a water soluble beverage powder according to claim 1. ~~any of claims 1-5 or (ii) a food product according to any of claims 6-7 in water.~~

10. (Original) Ready-to-drink coffee flavored beverage according to claim 9, wherein the concentration of alcohol is less than 1 vol.%.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~Use of alcohol containing granules~~ A method for producing a ready-to-drink coffee flavored beverage which (i) comprises an amount of alcohol and (ii) provides a taste sensation and/or physiological effects otherwise effected by beverages containing larger amounts of alcohol, said method comprising dissolving the food product of claim 6 in water.

12. (New) A ready-to-drink coffee flavored beverage comprising the food product of claim 6 dissolved in water.